

U.S. Embassy Stockholm, Sweden

Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Anticipated Demonstrations and Traffic Disruptions September 4-5, 2013

U.S. Embassy Stockholm informs U.S. citizens that it anticipates a high likelihood of anti-U.S. demonstrations in conjunction with President Obama's visit to Stockholm September 4-5, 2013. The Swedish Police will direct any demonstrators in the vicinity of the U.S. Embassy to the area outside the English Church on Dag Hammarskjolds Vag, which is located across the street from the U.S. Embassy. Elsewhere in the city, an anti-U.S. demonstration is scheduled to be held at Medborgarplatsen – a large square in downtown Stockholm – on September 4 starting at 5:00 p.m.

Even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and escalate into violence. You should avoid areas of demonstrations, and exercise caution if in the vicinity of any large gatherings, protests, or demonstrations.

Review your personal security plans; remain aware of your surroundings, including local events; and monitor local news stations for updates. Maintain a high level of vigilance and take appropriate steps to enhance your personal security and follow instructions of local authorities.

Please also be aware that there will be major traffic disruptions throughout the city September 4-5, 2013 associated with President Obama's visit. We recommend U.S. citizens located in the Stockholm area monitor local news stations for detailed information on the specific traffic disruptions in Stockholm for September 4-5.

We strongly recommend that U.S. citizens traveling to or residing in Sweden enroll in the Department of State's [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(STEP\)](#). STEP enrollment gives you the latest security updates, and makes it easier for the U.S. embassy or nearest U.S. consulate to contact you in an emergency. If you don't have Internet access, enroll directly with the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate.

Regularly monitor the [State Department's website](#) where you can find current Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and the Worldwide Caution. Read the [Country Specific Information for Sweden](#). For additional information, refer to "[A Safe Trip Abroad](#)" on the State Department's website.

Contact the U.S. embassy or consulate for up-to-date information on travel restrictions. You can also call 1-888-407-4747 toll-free from within the United States and Canada, or 1-202-501-4444 from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). Follow us on [Twitter](#) at and [Facebook](#). You can also download our free Smart Traveler App, available through [iTunes](#) and the [Google Play store](#), to have travel information at your fingertips.

The U.S. Embassy in Stockholm is located at Dag Hammarskjoldsvag 31, Stockholm and is open, Monday through Friday from 9 - 11AM, except for [Swedish and American holidays](#), phone number +46 (0)8 783 5375. Our regular telephone hours are between 1 PM and 2 PM, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. **If you are a U.S. citizen in need of urgent assistance, the emergency number for the U.S. Embassy is +46(0)8 783 5300.**